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SUBJECT:UNGA DISARMAMENT: MIDDLE EAST NUCLEAR WEAPON  
FREE ZONE (MENWFZ)

REF: USUN 6251

1' WE FAVOR IDEA OF ESTABLISHING A NUCLEAR-WEAPON-FREE  
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ZONE IN MIDDLE EAST THAT IS CONSISTENT WITH CRITERIA

WE HAVE ENUMERATED FOR ASSURING EFFECTIVENESS OF SUCH ZONES, AND WE BELIEVE THIS OBJECTIVE COULD USEFULLY BE PROMOTED BY A UNGA RESOLUTION THAT PRINCIPAL MIDDLE EASTERN STATES, INCLUDING ISRAEL, COULD SUPPORT. IN LIGHT OF EGYPT'S VULNERABILITY TO CHARGES BY OTHER ARAB STATES OF BEING TOO MODERATE TOWARD ISRAEL, WE RECOGNIZE THAT PROSPECTS THIS YEAR FOR A RESOLUTION ACCEPTABLE TO ISRAEL AND KEY ARAB STATES ARE SMALL. NONETHELESS, WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE USEFUL FOR US DEL TO EXPLORE POSSIORITY OF SUCH AN OUTCOME WITH PRINCIPAL DELEGATIONS CONCERNED.

2. ALTHOUGH ISRAEL ABSTAINED ON 1974 MENWFZ RES, IT SUBSEQUENTLY INDICATED TO UNSYG THAT IT SUPPORTED ESTABLISHMENT OF A MENWFZ, THAT IT WAS READY TO PARTICIPATE IN A CONFERENCE OF MIDDLE EASTERN STATES CONVENED FOR

THAT PURPOSE, AND THAT, WHILE IT SUPPORTED IN PRINCIPLE 1974 RESOLUTION'S APPEAL THAT STATES PROCLAIM THEIR INTENTION TO REFRAIN FROM PRODUCING OR OTHERWISE ACQUIRING NUCLEAR WEAPONS, IT BELIEVED SUCH A PROCLAMATION COULD ONLY BE MADE AFTER SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF NEGOTIATIONS FOR ESTABLISHING A MENWFZ.

3. DEL SHOULD CONSULT ISRAELI DEL ON ITS ATTITUDE TOWARD CURRENT TEXT, EXPLAINING THAT WE SUPPORT IDEA OF MENWFZ AND THAT WE HOPE UNGA WILL ADOPT RES THAT ALL KEY STATES IN MIDDLE EAST CAN SUPPORT. IF, AS WE EXPECT, ISRAELIS OBJECT TO IDEA OF PROCLAMATION OF INTENT IN ADVANCE OF TREATY NEGOTIATIONS, DEL SHOULD DISCUSS WITH IRANIAN AND EGYPTIAN DELS POSSIBILITY OF MODIFYING OR ELIMINATING THIS FEATURE OF RES WITH A VIEW TO MAKING TEXT GENERALLY ACCEPTABLE. DEL SHOULD STRESS TO CO-SPONSORS THAT WE SUPPORT MENWFZ AND HOPE TO BE ABLE TO VOTE FOR RES, AND THAT WE BELIEVE PROSPECTS FOR EVENTUAL SUCCESS OF MENWFZ PROPOSAL WOULD BE ADVANCED IF ALL KEY STATES IN REGION WERE ABLE TO ASSOCIATE THEMSELVES WITH PROJECT THROUGH SUPPORT FOR RESOLUTION. DEL MAY POINT OUT THAT, WHILE WE DO NOT CONSIDER SUGGESTION FOR MENWFZ CONFERENCE TO BE REALISTIC UNDER CONFIDENTIAL

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PRESENT CIRCUMSTANCES, NEITHER DO WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE REALISTIC TO ASK STATES TO COMMIT THEMSELVES IN ADVANCE OF TREATY NEGOTIATIONS TO MEASURES THAT SHOULD APPROPRIATELY BE CONSIDERED AND WORKED OUT IN COURSE OF NEGOTIATIONS AMONG CONCERNED STATES.

4. DEL SHOULD INDICATE TO CO-SPONSORS THAT IT IS IMPORTANT TO US THAT DRAFT COVER ALL NUCLEAR EXPLOSIVE

DEVICES, NOT JUST NUCLEAR WEAPONS.

5. SHOULD CO-SPONSORS BE UNWILLING TO MAKE ACCOMMODATIONS THAT WOULD PERMIT ISRAELI SUPPORT AND SHOULD PRESENT TEXT ACCORDINGLY BE PUT TO A VOTE, DEL IS AUTHORIZED TO VOTE IN FAVOR, WITH EXPLANATION ALONG LINES WE GAVE LAST YEAR IN VOTING FOR MENWFZ RES (I.E., THAT WE SUPPORT OBJECTIVE OF MENWFZ ESTABLISHED UNDER CONDITIONS WE HAVE ENUMERATED FOR ASSURING EFFECTIVENESS OF NWFZ, THAT WE ARE PREPARED TO LEND OUR SUPPORT TO EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE TAT OBJECTIVE, BUT THAT WE QUESTION APPROACH OF ASKING STATES TO UNDERTAKE COMMITMENTS IN ADVANCE OF TREATY NEGOTIATIONS). KISSINGER

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